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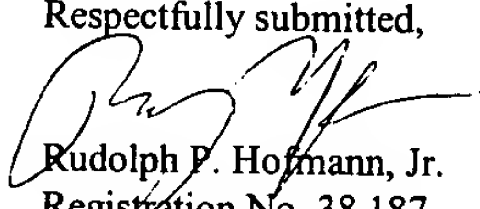
Enclosed herewith are a new set of formal drawings (Figs. 1-9) consisting of 4 pages, along with a copy of the Patent and Trademark Office's Notice of October 12, 2001.

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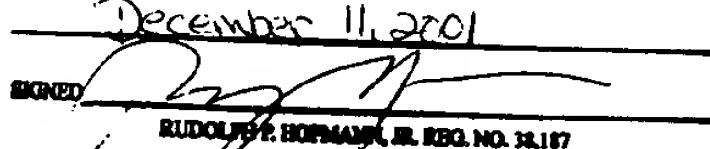
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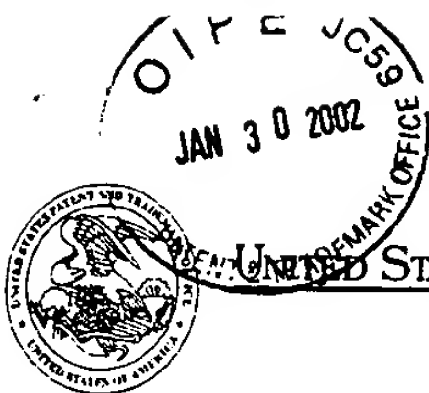
  
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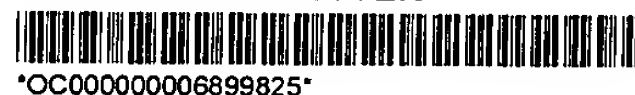
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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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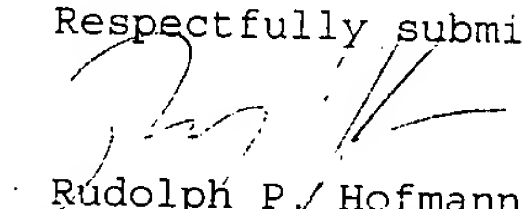
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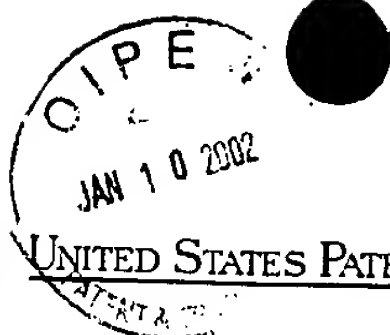
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